

UNIONS GET MURRY

Navy Twirler Is Signed by Manager Irwin.

CHARLEY MORAN FOR CAPTAIN

Will Lead Local Outlaws in the Field Until Atherton Reports—Rain Prevented Game with Orioles Yesterday, but Teams Got in Some Practice—Rush Work on Grounds.

After watching the youngster perform in practice, Arthur Irwin, of the local Union League club, yesterday signed Pitcher Murry, of this city.

Murry was a member of the Navy team in the Departmental League last season, and was considered one of the best twirlers in the amateur ranks. As Irwin was not signed by the Unions until nearly all of the desirable players were already under contract, he has had considerable difficulty in landing enough good pitchers, so he decided to take Murry, as he was much impressed by the work of the youngster.

As Charley Atherton has not yet reported, Irwin has decided to make Charley Moran, the former Georgetown player, captain of the club until Atherton comes to take charge. Moran arrived here yesterday.

Irwin had his players out practicing yesterday morning for two hours, in preparation for to-morrow's game with the Baltimore team. As the teams were unable to play yesterday, Irwin has arranged with Manager Kennedy to have the Orioles team remain over to play here Tuesday.

Considerable work was done on the new grounds yesterday, but Irwin does not hope to have them completed until the club returns from its first regular trip.

GALLAUDET IS SMOTHERED.

Kendall Green Team Proves Easy for Villanova College.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Villanova, April 18.—Villanova defeated Gallaudet here to-day in a slow game by 19 to 2.

Birch and O'Donnell were driven from the box early in the game, but Dillon, who succeeded them, did much better work and held the home team to five runs in the last five innings of the game. Monahan and McGeehan led at the bat for Villanova, with four hits apiece. O'Donnell played the best game for the visitors. Score:

Villanova	R	H	O	A	E	Gallaudet	R	H	O	A	E
Monahan, 2b.	4	1	1	0	0	McGeehan, 1b.	4	1	0	0	0
McGeehan, 1b.	4	1	0	0	0	O'Donnell, 1b.	1	2	4	1	0
Sullivan, 1b.	2	1	0	0	0	Hoover, 3b.	0	1	3	1	0
Nichols, ss.	3	3	2	5	0	Harper, c.	0	0	3	2	0
Moore, if.	3	4	4	0	0	Birch, p.	0	0	6	0	0
Walsh, c.	2	0	0	0	0	W. Bell, 2b.	0	0	2	4	1
Barr, cf.	1	2	0	1	0	Sharp, if.	0	0	1	0	0
Peloquin, p.	2	3	1	1	1	H. Bell, rf.	0	0	0	0	0
Kane, 3b.	1	1	0	1	1	Copper, ss.	0	0	2	4	2
M. Sullivan, c.	0	1	4	1	0	Dillon, p.	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 19 25 27 11 2 Totals..... 2 3 24 14 4
First base on balls—Off Birch, 1; off Barr, 1; off Dillon, 1. Struck out—By Dillon, 3; by Barr, 3; by Peloquin, 1. Home run—McGeehan. Three-base hit—Barr. Two-base hits—Nichols (2), Barr, Moore (2), Kane. Umpire—Mr. Sullivan. Time of game—2 hours.

SECOND REGIMENT BEST.

Outplays Y. M. C. A. in Fight for Basketball Title.

The opener of the finals for the basketball championship of the city was played last night in the Young Men's Christian Association gymnasium between the Association five and the Second Regiment five of the National Guard, the latter winning, by 27 to 13.

The contest was the most interesting of the season. Both teams are tied for the championship of the City League, and the winner of the series of three games which has been arranged will meet Baltimore's premier basketball team to decide the supremacy of the South Atlantic Association of the A. A. U.

The natural rivalry between the two brought forth the fastest and most scientific basketball seen here this season, the forty minutes of play being replete with snap and dash, which makes the indoor game so interesting.

The touch of roughness added greatly to the play, neither side participating in any seemingly intentional disobedience of the rules.

Although the winning team deserves much praise, the work of Schlosser, their sturdy center, was the best.

The same teams will meet again this week. Score:

Second Regiment.			Y. M. C. A.		
Goals.	Free tosses.	F'ts.	Goals.	Free tosses.	F'ts.
Hubbard.....	2	1	0	0	0
Kelcher.....	5	0	0	0	0
Schlosser.....	5	0	0	0	0
Hopp.....	0	0	2	0	3
Earnshaw.....	1	0	1	0	0

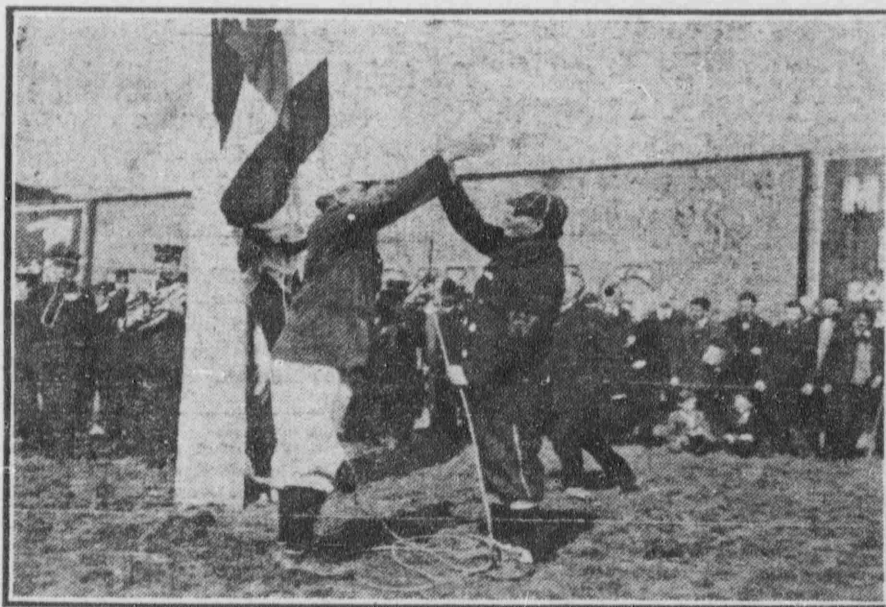
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Tennessee Takes Two Games.

Knoxville, Tenn., April 18.—The University of Tennessee baseball team won both games from Georgia Tech to-day 3 to 2 and 6 to 2.

McGUIRE AND CANTILLON HOISTING AMERICAN FLAG.



GOSSIP OF THE DIAMOND.

Keep an eye on Jim Delehanty's batting. Princeton at Georgetown Field to-morrow.

Milan, Delehanty, Shipke, and Burns each smashed out two hits.

Jimmy Collins has been doing some tall batting for the Athletics this spring.

Charley Smith will probably be on the rubber for the opening game of the season at National Park.

Pitcher Eastely, who refused to consent to his transfer by Washington to San Francisco, has at last signed with the last-named club.

George Tebeau says that Kansas City will not finish lower than third. Monte Cross is a bit more sanguine, and says one-two for him.

Tim Jordan's home run Tuesday afternoon, the first of the season, was one of the longest ever driven over the fence at Washington Park, Brooklyn.

If young McDermott, the Unions' third baseman, can continue at the clip he started in the game with the Baltimore Outlaws, he should prove a big find.

Richard F. McCarthy, one of the trainers at the Missouri Athletic Club, of St. Louis, has been engaged to train the Pirates until the recovery of Ed Laforce.

"Rube" Waddell missed the train at St. Louis and couldn't get into the opening game at Cleveland. Now McAleer is looking about for a keeper to watch his erratic twirler.

It looks as though the National Commission is determined to try to make it hot for Joe Cantillon for using Bert Keeley, who was obtained from Jimmy Callahan's outlaw team.

Hal Chase, before starting out to make himself a great ball player, was a student of telegraphy at San Jose, Cal., where his brother is now telegraphing for the Southern Pacific. Chase is said to be a fair operator.

According to more or less official figures, 142,311 persons witnessed the opening games of the National and American leagues' seasons. The American League was the host of \$1,311, while the Nationals had 61,000 visitors.

President Joseph O'Brien, of the American Association, hasn't put any extra burdens on his umpires this year which he has not outlined heretofore, with the single exception of the balk rule. He will insist that it be rigidly enforced. "A balk is the worst invention that a stabman has to kill off base running," he says. "There are schemes to get around the ball and catch runners napping by a false move. My umpires have instructions to note all such moves and call them balks. There may be kicks at first, but I shall insist on this, and also have featured clean baseball, as usual."

WHAT BASEBALL LEAGUES COST.

Would you think that it cost \$2,000,000 a season to maintain the clubs of the two big baseball leagues? These are the figures that are given by a president of one of the big clubs.

A little bit of calculation will show that he's pretty nearly right—if not absolutely accurate.

First, it is well to figure that for each club the rent of grounds, stands, clubhouse, and the cost of putting the ground in good condition amounts to \$40,000.

In the National League this year the clubs will travel about 5,500 miles, which at 2 cents a mile for twenty players foots up to \$3,800.

Each club plays seventy-seven games away from home, which means as many days in hotels at a rate which averages \$3 a day per man, totaling \$4,600. Meals and berths on trains will cost another \$1,000.

The average salary list of the players of a major league club is \$50,000. A manager will get \$6,000 and a business manager \$3,000.

Every year the clubs draft or purchase players from the minor league teams. This averages three pitchers, \$2,500; one catcher, \$1,000; two in-

fielders, \$2,000; two outfielders, \$2,000; which makes a total of \$7,500, a modest estimate indeed in this day of hot rivalry and fancy prices for young players.

Each club orders fifty dozen balls, at \$15 a dozen, and frequently 50 dozen is not enough, but this number costs \$750. Basing calculations upon twenty men, the two sets of uniforms alone cost \$650, and the shoes round it up to \$1,000. Trainers get from \$600 up.

Now add to all this \$5,000 for a Southern trip, and the expense account shows \$130,050 for a club. Before the books will balance 260,100 fans must pass through the gates, at an average admission of 50 cents.

In some cities the average price is but 35 cents, because four prices rule—25, 50, and 75 cents—with the box sales at \$1.

Estimating the average at 35 cents, then to meet the expense \$83,648 fans must pass through the turnstiles before the account is squared.

Figuring the average expense at \$130,050, the cost of sixteen teams is \$2,080,800. To this add the salary of Ban Johnson, \$15,000, and of Harry Pulliam, \$10,000, and the sum is \$2,105,800.

QUENTIN PLAYS BALL

President's Son and Charley Taft on Winning Team.

PLATEAUS LOSE TO MADRIDS

Contest Wages on Green Sward South of the White House—Score 14 to 11—Losers Instructed to Go and Get a Reputation—Young Roosevelt and Taft Make a Run.

On the green sward, immediately south of the White House grounds yesterday, a bloodless victory was won, when Quentin Roosevelt, son of the President; Charley Taft, son of the Secretary of War, and seven other boys defeated a baseball team known as the Plateaus.

The Roosevelt-Taft organization is called the Madrids, and it is a hummer. The game was called at 10:30 o'clock, and was concluded just in time to save the President and his guests from disturbance during the hour of luncheon.

The Madrids won their third consecutive victory, by a score of 14 to 11, and the Roosevelt-Taft aggregation will not play the Plateaus again until they go and get a reputation.

The first game played, earlier in the season, did not pan out so well, but the Madrids were not in practice then.

Played Center Field.

Quentin Roosevelt, youngest son of the President, played center field, and Charley Taft, son of the Secretary of War, was covering first bag. Each scored a run in the nine innings, and the game lasted about two hours and a half.

Young Roosevelt did not make a record with the stick, but when it came to fooling the pitcher he was in his element. He was given three bases on balls, and walked again when the careless pitcher planted a ball in his side, instead of over the plate.

Charley Taft made two hits. One of the features of the game was when the Madrids retired the Plateaus in the seventh, by the quick way in which Roosevelt passed the sphere to Taft. Another sensation was when Campbell, Noack, and Remsburg made a triple in the fourth. The line-up of Quentin's nine was as follows:

Campbell, shortstop; Noack, third base; Remsburg, second base; Brooks, pitcher; W. Lockwood, left field; Taft, first base; D. Lockwood, right field; Roosevelt, center field; Cliff, catcher.

DOG BREEDERS TO ORGANIZE.

Special Club Will Advance Interests of Irish Wolfhound.

There were five Irish wolfhounds at the last New York dog show, when there was a class for them, as a new venture, and an American specialty club is under formation to advance the interests of the breed.

The breed in the last century divided space in the dog books with sheepdogs and Newfoundlanders, for these dogs were held in high esteem for courage and sagacity. Then they nearly became extinct, and in the '80's the English fancier, Capt. Graham, set about the rehabilitation of the breed.

He suggested that the native material to be had be crossed judiciously with the Scottish deerhound, Great Dane, and Russian wolfhound to carry out the plan. The Irish Wolfhound Club of Great Britain was started in 1885, and the breed was classified in the English stud book in that year.

When first shown in England the type lacked unity, the parent strains too often predominating, but now and then an exhibit was of the desired stamp. The type should resemble the Scottish deerhound, except that red is the preferable color and the Irish wolfhound is a heavier dog, stronger in head, bone and body, while several inches higher at the shoulder.

Some confusion regarding the appearance of the dogs had been created, because in Ireland a dog known as the "matin" had been maintained in the long ago. It was a powerful, smooth-coated creature, suggesting the German boarhound, to judge by a painting of one that for more than a hundred years had been in the picture gallery of the Earl of Antrim.

As to the history of the Irish wolfhound, it attained celebrity out of its native country as long ago as the year 301, when seven Irish dogs were sent to Rome and astonished her citizens, who viewed them with wonder, and fancied they must have been brought thither in large cages.

"As to their courage, doubt has been thrown, and in October, 1667," says the London Field, "One Addy Loftus brought an Irish dog to fight with a mastiff before the King. The Irish dog had all the advantage imaginable, and dragged his opponent five or six times about the ring, so that everybody gave up the mastiff for dead; all men were concerned as if it had been their general, and yet, at last the Irish dog ran away."